

Page 6, line 9, after "B," and before "H," please  
insert --C--;

Page 6, line 10, please delete "40e" and substi-  
tute --40c--;

Page 8, line 6, please delete "E" and substitute  
--C--;

Page 8, line 11, after "60" and before the period  
(.), please insert --leaving one-half slots 1/2 57 in each  
of the discs 40H and 40I--.

Page 10, between lines 11 and 12, please insert

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--As is clearly shown in Figs. 2 and 4 to 6, the  
length of each of the bridges 58 to 61 and 81 is greater  
than the width of the slots 57 punched between adjacent  
discs. This greater length of each bridge is due to its  
having at least a portion which is out of alignment with the  
longitudinal center line of the strip, as illustrated by the  
chevron and arcuate shapes shown in Figs. 5 and 6. This  
greater length than the slot width (or distance between the  
adjacent edges of two discs) enhances the ability of the  
bridges to stretch or contract (see Fig. 5) and thereby  
change the width of the slots and the between-center dis-  
tance between adjacent discs.--

#### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 5-10 and 15-17 as fol-  
lows:

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